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and surveys that the Secretary considers satisfactory.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1071, 1073, 1078–1, 1078–2, 1078–3, 1082)

§ 682.501 Extent of Federal guarantee under the Federal GSL programs.

- (a) General. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the Secretary's guarantee liability on any Federal GSL loan is 100 percent of the unpaid principal balance and, to the extent permitted under §682.512, accrued interest.
- (b) Special provisions for State lenders.
 (1) Except as described in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, the Secretary's guarantee liability is less than 100 percent under the following conditions:
- (i) If the total of default claims under the Federal GSL programs paid by the Secretary to a State lender during any fiscal year reaches five percent of the amount of the Federal GSL loans in repayment at the end of the preceding fiscal year, the Secretary's guarantee liability on a claim subsequently paid during that fiscal year is 90 percent of the amount of the unpaid principal balance plus accrued interest.
- (ii) If the total of default claims under the Federal GSL programs paid by the Secretary to a State lender during any fiscal year reaches nine percent of the amount of the Federal GSL loans in repayment at the end of the preceding fiscal year, the Secretary's guarantee liability on a claim subsequently paid during that fiscal year is 80 percent of the amount of the unpaid principal balance plus accrued interest.
- (iii) For purposes of this paragraph, the total default claims paid by the Secretary during any fiscal year do not include paid claims filed by the lender under the provisions of §682.412(e) or §682.509.
- (2) The potential reduction in guarantee liability does not apply to a State lender during the first Federal fiscal year of its operation as a Federal GSL Program lender and during each of the four succeeding fiscal years.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "amount of the Federal GSL loans in repayment" means the original principal amount of all loans guaranteed by the Secretary less—

- (i) The original principal amount of loans on which—
- (A) Under the FISL program, the borrower has not yet reached the repayment period;
- (B) Payment in full has been made by the borrower;
- (C) The borrower was in deferment status at the time repayment of principal was scheduled to begin and remains in deferment status; or
- (D) The Secretary has paid a claim filed under section 437 of the Act; and
- (ii) The amount paid by the Secretary for default claims on loans, exclusive of paid claims filed by the lender under §682.412(e) or §682.509.
- (4) For the purposes of this paragraph, payments by the Secretary on a loan that the original lender assigned to a subsequent holder are considered payments made to the original lender.
- (5) State lenders shall consolidate Federal GSL loans for the purpose of calculating the amount of the Secretary's guarantee liability under this section.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1077, 1078-1, 1078-2, 1078-3, 1082)

§ 682.502 The application to be a lend-

- (a) To be considered for participation in the Federal GSL programs, a lender shall submit an application to the Secretary.
- (b) In determining whether to enter into a guarantee agreement with an applicant, and, if so, what the terms of the agreement will be, the Secretary considers—
- (1) Whether the applicant meets the definition of an "eligible lender" in section 435(d) of the Act and the definition of "lender" in § 682.200;
- (2) Whether the applicant is capable of complying with the regulations in this part as they apply to lenders;
- (3) Whether the applicant is capable of implementing adequate procedures for making, servicing, and collecting loans;
- (4) Whether the applicant has had prior experience with a similar Federal, State, or private nonprofit student loan program, and the amount and percentage of loans that are currently delinquent or in default under that program;